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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Chad S. Scott, 25, of Eau Claire, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 10 years in federal prison, without the possibility of parole, for being a felon in possession of seven firearms. Scott pleaded guilty to this charge on January 11, 2007.

Scott was in possession of the firearms, which included a sawed-off shotgun, on May 11, 2006, when he was arrested by law enforcement officers at his residence in the Town of Ludington, on an outstanding warrant. Scott's ten year sentence was the maximum allowed under federal law.

The charges against Scott were the result of an investigation conducted by the West Central Drug Task Force. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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